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### Subpart A—Overview

#### § 101.100 What is the purpose of SBA?

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) aids, counsels, assists, and protects the interests of small business concerns, and advocates on their behalf within the Government. It also helps victims of disasters. It provides financial assistance, contractual assistance, and business development assistance. For a more detailed description of the functions of SBA see The United States Government Manual, a special publication of the FEDERAL REGISTER, which is available from Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250–7954.

## § 101.101 Who manages SBA?

- (a) An Administrator, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, manages SBA. The Administrator—
- (1) Is responsible to the President and Congress for exercising direction, authority, and control over SBA.
- (2) Determines and approves all policies covering SBA's programs to aid, counsel, assist, and protect the interests of the nation's small businesses.
- (3) Employs or appoints employees necessary to implement the Small Business Act, as amended, the Small Business Investment Act, as amended, and other laws and directives.
- (4) Delegates certain activities, by issuing regulations or otherwise, to Headquarters and field positions.
- (b) A Deputy Administrator, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, serves